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Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

Re: Project No. 17-048, Lake Behavioral Hospital

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept the enclosed support letter from Lee E. Sachnoff for the above referenced project.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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RE: Certificate of Need Application for Vista Medical Center West

Dear Ms. Avery,

As a resident of Lake County it is important that I let you know I support the expansion of psychiatric beds at Vista Medical Center West. Suicide is the 10th leading cause of death among residents of Lake County and while we have a 46-bed psychiatric unit at Vista Medical Center West we cannot seem to provide the crisis stabilization needed to help residents of all ages who live in Lake County. I have been informed US HealthVest will expand these critical services in our community.

I am delighted to hear of the expansion of Vista Medical Center West to 146 beds and I support the certificate of need application to increase access to more psychiatric beds in my community.

Sincerely,

Lee E. Sachnoff

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